MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, STATE OF TEXAS, Austin, May 20, 1899.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives.

I herewith return, without my approval, House bill No. 712.

The caption declares the purpose of the bill to be to amend Chapter 5, of Title CII, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1895, so as to place San Patricio county under the provision of said chapter.

In amending the chapter, Article 5000 is omitted. There seems to be a question as to whether or not the omission operates as a repeal of such article.

At the request of the Representative of San Patricio county, for the benefit of which the bill seems to have been drawn, I have withheld my approval.

Respectfully,

JOSEPH D. SAYERS,

Governor.